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LINCOLN, MONTGOMERY & WARREN COUNTIES



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LINCOLN:

- April 10 and 24: Cake Decorating Meeting 5-8 p m, Hawk Point Community Building
- April 11: Teen Leaders, 7 p m, Extension Center
- April 17: Rabbit Meeting, 6 p m, Extension Center
- April 18: Sheep Meeting, 7 p m, Extension Center
- April 21: Poultry Meeting 7 p m, Extension Center
- April 23: Lamb weigh-in 1-3 p.m., Fairgrounds
- April 26: Judging & Demonstration Workshop, 6 p m, Extension Center

MONTGOMERY:

- April 15: County T-Shirt Orders Submitted
- April 21: Soap Order Submission Deadline
- April 22: Goat and Lamb Weigh-In, 8:00 a.m., Fairgrounds
- April 24: Livestock Ultrasound Meeting 6 p m, Merchants Building
- May 1: Soap Order Delivery

WARREN:

- April 1: SMQA Deadline for Livestock Exhibitors
- April 1: Scrapbooking Project 9 a m, Extension Office
- April 3: Cake Decorating 6 p m, Extension Office
- April 6: Archery 5:30 p m, Fairgrounds
- April 7: Horse Meeting, 6 p m, Wasser Farms
- April 8: Line Dancing 9 a m, Extension Office
- April 10: Dog Meeting 5:30 p m, Extension Office
- April 10: Rabbit Meeting, 7 p m, Extension Office
- April 11: Crochet Meeting, 4 p m, Warrenton Library
- April 11: Teen Leaders Meeting, 5:30 p m, Extension Office
- April 13: Air Rifle/Air Pistol, 5:30 p m, Fairgrounds
- April 16: Hiking Project, 1 p m, Little Lost Creek Loop, Little Lost Creek Nature Preserve, Pendleton
- April 16: 22 Rifle/Pistol/Muzzleloading 1 to 3 p m, Benchrest Rifle Club

April 16: Shotgun, 3 to 5 p m, Benchrest Rifle Club
 April 17: Citizenship, Leadership and Communication Meeting, 5:30 p m, Harton Senior Living
 April 17: Sportfishing Meeting 4 p m, Lake 1 Busch Wildlife
 April 18: Market Sheep & Goat Weigh In, 6:30 p m, Fairgrounds
 April 18: Beginner's Woodworking Meeting, 5:30 pm, Extension Office *Pre-registration required.
 April 20: Archery, 5:30 p m, Fairgrounds
 April 22: Countywide Fundraiser – Side-by-Side Run, Time and location to be determined
 April 24: Dog Meeting, 5:30 p m, Extension Office
 April 30: 22 Rifle/Pistol/Muzzleloading 1 to 3 p m, Benchrest Rifle Club
 April 30: Shotgun, 3 to 5 p m, Benchrest Rifle Club

OPPORTUNITIES

Missouri 4-H Newsletter

Families should be receiving the Missouri 4-H Newsletter emailed from the State 4-H Office in Columbia. Let us know if you are not receiving it.

4-H Camp

4-H Camp at Cuivre River State Park will take place June 19-22 for members 8 to 13. Letters will go out in April to those eligible to attend.

4-H Camp Staff Needed

The camp committee is looking for individuals for the following positions June 11-22: Program Director - \$650; Camp Assistant -\$500; Crafts Instructor - \$500; and Health Aide-\$750. Contact Rhonda at 636-528-4613 for details and qualifications.

Judging and Achievement Days

- Warren will be June 8
- Lincoln will be June 9
- Montgomery will be June 12

More details coming soon.

Teen Conference

Members 11-13 should plan to attend State Teen Conference May 30-31 in Columbia. Cost is \$100. Registration closes April 15 in 4honline. Please note-you must be in "active" status to register. Space is limited, so register early! Contact your County Office as certain restrictions may apply.

State 4-H Congress

Members 14-18 should plan to attend State 4-H Congress May 31 to June 2 in Columbia. Cost is \$200 and registration closes April 15 in 4honline. Please note-you must be in "active" status to register. Space is limited, so register early! Contact your County Office as certain restrictions may apply.

Side-by-Side Fundraiser Ride for Warren County

The 3rd Annual Warren County 4-H Council Side-by-Side Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023 in Warren County. Registration for the 60+ mile ride is from 9 am-11 am at Marthasville Community Club at 601 1st Street in Marthasville. The cost is \$25 per driver and \$5 per passenger. Drivers must be 18 years of age and waivers will be required at registration. There will be attendance prizes and a 50/50 raffle during this rain or shine event. Come join the fun and support Warren County 4-H.

Lincoln County Project Photos Needed

If you have pictures of members working on their projects – please email to Rhonda at shaferr@missouri.edu

Lincoln County Judging & Demonstration Workshop

Members are invited to attend a Judging Workshop April 26 at 6 p m followed by a Demonstration Workshop at 7 p m at the Extension Office. This is designed to help members prepare for the county Judging & Achievement Day to be held June 9. Please RSVP to 636-528-4613 by April 19 so materials can be prepared.

Lincoln County Fair Livestock Entries

All market livestock registrations for the 2023 Lincoln County Fair will be online and will begin May 1, 2023, and close on May 31, 2023, at 3pm. All exhibitors intending to show at the Lincoln County Fair must complete the online registration for all livestock to be exhibited (for example, if an exhibitor is planning to exhibit poultry and hogs, the exhibitor must register for both before May 31, 2023, at 3pm.) Exhibitor information including name, address, phone number, email address, club name, parents' name, tag numbers for EACH animal weighed in and shirt size will also be required as part of the registration process. Exhibitors will be able to purchase their exhibitor season pass, along with season pass purchases for other family members at this time.

Breeding stock registration will be June 5, 2023, through June 29, 2023, at 5pm. Information will be communicated later.

Montgomery County Soap Sales

The Montgomery County 4-H Council 4-H Laundry Soap sales are going on. An order form has been included with this newsletter. The final due date for orders is April 21 but check with your club leader for the date they need orders. Soap will be delivered May 2. Deliveries will start at the Big Spring Firehouse at 4:45 pm and then move to the University of Missouri Extension Office parking lot in Montgomery City at approximately 5:15 p m. All soap orders must be picked up on Monday, May 1! If you have questions please contact Bernie Bader at baderteacher@gmail.com.

Montgomery County SMQA Training Will Be Virtual
SMQA training will be presented virtually for 2023 in Montgomery County.

The Show Me Quality Assurance Program (SMQA) is a management education program for youth which emphasizes good management practices in animal care, animal handling and use of animal health products.

All 4-H members enrolled in food animal projects including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits and poultry must complete the appropriate level of SMQA certification to be considered a 4-H member in good standing in that project.

4-H and FFA exhibitors of any meat animal projects will need SMQA training for the 2023 Missouri State Fair.

Some of you are certified for the rest of your youth showing career, if you completed training in 2021 or 2022 and were 14 (as of January 1) at the time. For younger youth, the rule states a member age 8-13 by January 1 must participate in two consecutive years of the training. Then a refresher course is needed some time after they turn 14. Upon completion of the refresher course, they would be SMQA *Certified* for the remainder of their youth exhibition career.

If you attended Show Me Quality Assurance training in 2021 & 2022, you are not required to attend this year.

However, first year project members and those of you who completed training in only 2021 (and were under 14 as of Jan. 1, 2021), need to complete this year.

Montgomery County 4-H T-Shirts

Montgomery County 4-H families interested in ordering County 4-H t-shirts can order online at: <https://arb-signs.com/product-category/montgomery-county-4h>.

This link is also pinned at the top of the Montgomery County 4-H Facebook page. There are options for 4-H parents and 4-H youth. All orders should be submitted online no later than April 15. Once the shirts are finished, they will be picked up and brought to the Extension office for distribution.

Goat/Sheep Health Paperwork Day for Montgomery County 4-H

On Saturday, July 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Hermann Vet Clinic, 2094 MO-100, Hermann, MO 65041, there is an event to get the required health papers needed for goats and sheep being shown at the fair. You are not required to use this date and vet; this is an option for those who might not have their own vet. There is no charge for this event, donations can be made to the Missouri Veterinary Medicine Foundation. If you have questions or would like to register for this date contact Trisha Happe, trishahappe@hotmail.com or 573-550-8797.

Montgomery County Livestock Ultrasound Meeting

On April 24 at 6 p m at the Merchants Building on the fairgrounds there is an informational meeting for those planning to show goats, sheep, steers, and swine at the Montgomery County Fair in 2023. The Livestock Committee will give updates and Heather Conrow, Livestock Specialist with MU Extension will be there to explain more about the ultrasound process and why it is used. There will be an opportunity for questions.

Warren County Cake Decorating Project

Members of the county Cake Decorating project are invited to attend upcoming meetings for the project area. Meetings are scheduled for April 3 and May 1 from 6-7:30 p m, and June 24 from 10 a m-2 p m. All meetings will be held at the Extension Office. Please contact project leader Megan Polston if you have questions at mpolston33@gmail.com.

Warren County Sportfishing Project

Two evenings of fishing have been scheduled for Sportfishing project members. Project leader will bring some worms and tackle, but members are encouraged to bring anything they want to fish with. Monday, April 17th at Lake 1 Busch Wildlife from 4 pm until dark and Thursday, May 4th at Lake 2 Busch Wildlife from 4 pm until dark. Members do not have to attend both sessions but welcome to attend if possible. If members cannot make either one, please let Wes know at 636-578-4161, and he will work something else out.

Warren County Shooting Sports Handbooks/Practice Dates

The 2023 Shooting Sports Handbook is now available. If you need a copy, you can pick one up at the Extension Office. Practices for all disciplines will begin in April.

- Air Rifle/Air Pistol – 2nd & 4th Thursdays – Fairgrounds – 1st practice is April 13 at 5:30 p m
- Archery – 1st & 3rd Thursdays – Fairgrounds – 1st practice is April 6 at 5:30 p m
- Shotgun/22/Muzzleloading – April 16, April 30, May 7, May 21, June 11, June 18, August 6, all at Benchrest Rifle Club in Wright City.
 - 22 & Muzzleloading 1-3 p m
 - Shotgun 3-5 p m.

Warren County Shotgun Members

Remember you are responsible for purchasing and providing shotgun shells for your project meetings this year. You will need 50 shells per practice, or 250 rounds to complete the 4-H project year (10 hours). Questions, please reach out to Bill Miller at 636-359-1575 or billjrmiller@gmail.com

Warren County Fair Livestock Exhibitors Tag In/Weigh In Dates

Market Sheep & Goats (Max of 4 sheep & 4 goats):
April 18, 2023, 6:30 p m - 7:30 p m
Market Rabbit (max of 10 head):
June 6, 2023, 6:30 p m - 7:30 p m
Market Chickens (max of 12 head):
June 6, 2023, 6:30 p m - 7:30 p m

Warren County Woodworking Project

The Warren County Woodworking Project group will have a beginning woodworking meeting on Tuesday, March 28 at the Extension Office with additional meetings on April 18 and May 16. All meeting times are 5:30-7 p m. These meetings will be geared towards the beginning woodworker and anyone who wishes to attend must RSVP by emailing Maureen at the Extension Office.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Warren County 4-H Clubs for receiving 4-H Feeding Missouri mini-grants:

Prairie View - \$250
Elkhorn - \$200

UPDATESJudges & Assistants

Please volunteer to serve as a judge and assistant at our county activities coming up this summer. We cannot hold these events without your help!

Attention Livestock & Small Animal Projects

The animal rights movement is growing in size and impact. In working with animal projects in 4-H, we need to be aware of what these groups advocate. Livestock shows are easy and effective places for public attention to be drawn to their demonstrations. As students of animal production practices, 4-H members should always strive to be alert to proper management of animals. At our shows, stalls should be kept clean; bedding clean and dry, animals restrained properly and animals should be fed and watered regularly.

REMINDERSLincoln County Club Leaders

Do not forget to turn in the \$30 per member fee (not including Clover Kids) for members in good standing by April 30.

Fair Dates

- Warren County – July 5-8
- Lincoln County – July 11-15
- Montgomery County - July 18-22
- State Fair – August 10-20

“Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much.”

Helen Keller